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Berne, February 23.

THE Deputies of Zurich continue ſtill here, and confer often with the Committee appointed by this State for that Purpoſe; but hitherto they are not come to an entire Agreement upon the ſeveral Points in queſtion; yet as they are willing on both Sides to finiſh the Affair of St. Gall in concert with one another, 'tis hoped that thoſe Expedients of Moderation which have made the Subject of their frequent Conferences, will at laſt be accepted, and this Matter finiſhed to Satisfaction. The Sovereign Council here has lately had under Deliberation an entire Regulation for the drawing of the Lots for the ſeveral Bailliages and other Employments of this State, which is now adjuſted; and 'tis believed that they will proceed this Year to the filling up of that Council called the Two Hundred, there being now about fourſcore Vacancies. They write from Milan of the 15th Inſtant, that the Government of Lodi was to be conferred upon Count Pomaglia; that they had received Advice from Vienna, that that Court was not determined yet to ſend any Troops into that Dutchy, as had been formerly given out; and that the Republick of Luca had yielded up to the Emperour divers Poſts upon the Frontiers of the Dutchy of Maſſa.

Madrid, Feb. 14. Don Pedro de Caſtro, Major-General of the Spaniſh Foot-Guards, is ſent for from Saragoſſa, being appointed to command the Troops which are marching to the Frontiers of Navarre and Biſcay. Moſt of the Buſlion which came by the laſt Flota, is brought hither from Cadiz. Part of it is to be ſent to Segovia to be coyned in the Mint there; and the reſt is to be ſent to the Mint at Cuenza. A Marriage Contract is ſettled between the Marchioneſs of Malpica, Daughter of the Count of Altamira, and the Marqueſs of Santa Cruz a Nobleman of Portugal, who has conſtituted his Relation the Duke of Arcos to be his Proxy for the Eſpouſals. They write from Cadiz, that the two Advice-Ships deſigned for Peru and New-Spain, are not yet ſailed from thence: That on the 6th Inſtant 56 Pieces of Cannon, carrying from 24 to 48 Pound Ball, and 27 Mortars, caſt in the Arſenal of Cadiz, were proved; and are to be imbarked on the firſt Convoy for Barcelona. Ingeniers are ſent to Badajoz, Albuquerque, and Alcantara, to give Directions for repairing the Fortifications of thoſe Places, and adding ſome new Works. The new Levies raiſed in the Kingdom of Leon and in the Principality of Aſturias, are ordered to be incorporated into ſix Battallions, four Companies of Grenadiers, and two Troops of Dragoons, which were lately brought over from Ceuta, and are now put into Quarters of Refreſhment in the Neighbourhood of Cadiz. Two Battallions of ſeven hundred and fifty Men, raiſed in Guipuſcoa, are ordered to Cadiz. 'Tis adviſed from Barcelona, that the Military and Naval Preparations there are carried on very ſlowly at preſent, which 'twas believed proceeds from ſome ſecret Orders from Court to ſuſpend them.

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